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LOANS TO CHINA.

NO MORE POLITICAL PULLS.

LONDON, MAY 19.

The *Daily News* says the Paris consortium of bankers interested in Chinese loans will embody no government guarantees. It will threaten China with no possible infringement of her sovereignty. All future loans to the Chinese government or to individual provinces will be made by the group as a whole and the responsibility will be shared *pro rata* by the participating banks. It is proposed that the existing interests of the participating banks in China should be similarly pooled. This proposal, if carried out, would mean that particular powers no longer had a predominant influence in particular regions of China. The importance of that doctrine in its application to Japan's interests in Shantung, for example, is obvious. It is definitely laid down that no future loans shall be allowed to involve the creation of special spheres of influence in China. There is strong reason to hope that the result will be a marked stimulation of the development of China's transport system and the exploitation of her vast mineral resources. The British representative on the group is Sir Charles Addis.

PARLIAMENT.

FINANCIAL.

LONDON, May 14.

In the House of Commons a message with regard to the war expenditure of the Dominions was read. The expenditure of South Africa was £33,000,000. Add the total direct expenditure of the colonies and protectorates as estimated at £10,000,000. To this must be added contributions of over £15,000,000 to the war expenditure of the imperial government and £12,000,000 ultimate. The incidence of all this as between Britain and the protectorates concerned is not yet determined.

Major Claude Lowther asked: Do the peace terms compel the enemy to pay fully the Allies' war bill. Mr. Bonar Law referred him to the answer given on May 12. Mr. Pagecroft pointed out that the Germans when they last made peace inflicted the whole cost of the war besides very heavy indemnities. Mr. Bonar Law replied that the peace delegates had never forgotten that at any stage. (Cheers.)

THE AFGHAN WAR.

SIMLA, May 17.

The Viceroy sent a message to the Mehtar at Chitral carrying his cordial thanks for loyal and efficient aid in driving out a force of 300 Afghan invaders, with hearty congratulations on the success achieved by the Chitral scouts and Mehtar's bodyguard in repelling the invaders without a single casualty.

Reuter's special Peshawar telegraph says the Mahomedans and Hindus are alike evidently united in antagonism to the Afghans. Regiments which had done garrison duty in India were delighted at the chance of fighting before returning home. Our troops are pushing forward with wonderful celerity. In the recent fighting the Afghan gunners stuck resolutely to their guns, which were well placed and provided with headcover, necessitating their being bombed out. The Afghan infantry was less resolute. It was badly equipped. The few cavalry seen imitated the Arab custom of riding as close as they dare, firing their rifles and racing back to safety. An official Khyber report says a reconnaissance was made from Dakka towards Basawal and met with slight opposition. Returning to camp to Dakka, the Afghans followed it up. Fighting ensued. The enemy, after breaking off as reported, moved south in the direction of Fort Tatsobi, the pass connecting the Afghan plains with the Bazar valley. Attempts are being made to harass our convoys on the Khyber. Sniping is frequent near Almusaif. There is no change in the situation on the other fronts.

THE LETTISH GOVERNMENT.

COPENHAGEN, May 13.

A message from Libau says the Lettish National Council has resolved upon demanding the return to power of Ullman's cabinet, on the ground of German military interference therewith. Upon this Premier Nedra resigned and handed over the government to the Council.

THE MIDDLE CLASSES.

"GROSS AND UNFAIR BURDENS."

Any suggestion of apathy on the part of the middle classes to unite in the protection of their interests was dispelled by the enthusiastic and overwhelming gathering at the Cannon-street Hotel, recently, called for the purpose of inaugurating the Middle Classes Union. So great was the response to the invitation to attend that the Great Hall was packed to suffocation, and an overflow meeting was held in the Pillar Hall. Mr. Kennedy Jones, M.P., presided at the main gathering, and letters sympathising with the objects of the union were received from:

Sir E. Marshall Hall, K.C., M.P., the Bishop of Birmingham; Dean Inge, the Mayor of Westminster; Sir Arthur Pinero, Sir James Barrie, Sir A. Conan Doyle, Mr. Lardon Ronald, Mr. Arthur Bourchier, Mr. Seymour Hicks, Mr. George Robey, Mr. Arnold Bennett, Commander Locker-Lampson, Mr. Pett Ridge, and others.

Mr. Kennedy Jones said he was glad to see so many ladies present, because they had felt more keenly than the men the hardships and gross and unfair burdens that during the past five years had pressed on the middle classes. They had met to inaugurate an organisation to combine for their common protection those members of the community who, working with brain and pen, had no organisation to safeguard their domestic and political interests. They wanted means which would enable them by co-operative action to defend themselves when they were threatened either by bureaucratic or industrial tyranny, and they wanted to endeavour by concerted action, by active propaganda, to exercise such pressure as a strong organisation alone could yield, to secure an amendment of the laws under which the middle classes were unfairly prejudiced. (Cheers.) The union also sought to sensitise and watch all legislation to ensure that the middle classes were not unjustly exploited, and to support by legal action, if necessary, the interests of any member which raised questions of general principle affecting the middle classes as a whole. (Cheers.) The funds and management, in the first instance, would be vested in the provisional central executive committee, which would draw up rules for the promotion of the objects of the union. Local branches would be at once formed in every Parliamentary division in the kingdom, and a final draft of the constitution of the union and a report of all the proceedings of the provisional central executive committee would be submitted for their approval and adoption to a grand council composed of delegates from all centres.

No class had been made so bitterly to feel the burden of the war as the middle class; no class had been more distinguished for its endurance, determination, and resourcefulness, and no class, in proportion to its numbers, had contributed more in men, money, and services. (Cheers.) Yet what had happened since the armistice? Instead of a realisation on all parts of the community that the waste of war must be balanced by increased production, by strong public and private economies, by the relaxation of war-time restrictions on business, and a reduction in the cost of living, they saw the bureaucrats entrenching themselves more than ever, and wise entanglements being built on every home front. The organised workman, simply because he was organised—the miner, transport worker, and railwayman—was threatening the industrial life of the nation if it did not stabilise war wages in peace time. They wanted to bring into the middle-class homes that "ray of sunshine" which the Prime Minister had asked for the workman's cottage. If they were not going to be left permanently in the shade between the workman and the employer they must make their union as strong as they possibly could. It was said that the middle classes were too respectable, and that they would never combine. (Cheers.) He denied that. If they combined and made their union a strong, living reality, it would be possible for them to become such a powerful body that they would be able to "hold up" workers, capitalists, profiteers, and bureaucrats, and even the Government.

A strong union could demand the payment of income-tax in full by all who came within its scope. (Hear, hear.) They could demand that the manual labourer should be made to pay—(cheers)—also that the tax should be collected at its source, like the National Health Insurance contribution. There were innumerable other directions in which they could bring their power to bear on public and private wrongs. The union would have expert committees dealing with national and local problems through the central organisation.

STATUE TO SIR HENRY MAY.

"A movement has recently been started to erect a statue to Sir Henry May in the Colony. The subscription is to be a popular one—not more than \$5—but, even on this basis, the money required is, I understand, already practically assured. There are, of course, divided opinions regarding Sir Henry May's success as a Governor, but no one will deny that he has done splendid work on behalf of Hongkong and all his interests were bound up in the Colony. He came here as a young man of 20 and retired at the age of 30. During this period he filled practically every office in the administration and was ultimately selected as Governor in deference to the unanimously expressed wish of the community. His popularity as an official waned during the last few years because, presumably, he would not bend sufficiently to those whose business interests brought them into touch with the Executive Power. The Governor was inclined to be autocratic at a period when autocracy was at a great discount and he was perhaps, too prone to depend upon his own judgment and a little too hasty in condemning, or disregarding, the views of others. It was, perhaps, an attitude inseparable from 40 years' experience in the Colonial Service. At the same time everyone recognized his absolute honesty of purpose and it is generally agreed that a statue in one of the public squares will be, in this case at any rate, a tribute which has been thoroughly earned.

such as income-tax, labour disputes, education, alien immigration, housing, selection of candidates for public bodies, and general industrial problems. By co-operative action they could, in the event of an unforeseen strike cut off their members to organise transport and other services, and use them to break the strike by volunteer labour. (Cheers.) They could refuse to serve strikers or their families or the employers with goods or professional services; they could assist in preventing profiteering; and carry on an agitation to compel co-operative societies to pay income-tax as well as other people. (Hear, hear.) They could also insist on the enforcement of contracts invalidated by lightning strikes, and the institution of legislation which would ensure the recognition of the public as a third party in trade disputes. "See to it," said Mr. Kennedy Jones, in conclusion, "that you are not going to be squeezed or crushed or made to bear unjust burdens, but that you are going to place yourselves in such a position as to be able to insist on a square and fair deal in all things, and, above all, on the right to live." (Cheers.)

Major Marmaduke Lowther moved the following resolution:

That this meeting of taxpayers and law-abiding citizens is of opinion that the time has arrived when an organisation should be formed by which the middle classes will be enabled to act collectively, and by combining their voting powers to protect themselves from unjust burdens or taxation and inflated prices of the necessities of life, and therefore expresses its hearty approval of the Middle Classes Union, and pledges itself to use every legitimate means to ensure its success.

The speaker observed that the union had no connection with any political party. The middle classes had been exploited by the lower classes, and by the financial groups and profiteers in the upper classes. They had also been exploited by the politicians, simply because they were not organised.

Prebendary Gough said it was a formidable fact that any body of citizens should find it necessary to organise themselves in a semi-private or semi-public way to secure their common civic rights.

Mr. J. R. Prebendary Newman, M.P., said that in the House of Commons the party system was dead and the House was run by a series of interested groups. The Government took no heed of those voiceless groups such as John Citizen, and therefore the establishment of a strong middle-classes union was absolutely necessary.

The resolution was carried, with loud cheers.

Sir Harry Brittain, M.P., proposed a vote of thanks to the chairman, and the middle classes had been singing, but they should not allow themselves to be grimed.

At the overflow meeting in the Pillar Hall Mr. A. Lyle Samuel, M.P., presided, and speeches were also delivered by Sir Harry Brittain and Prebendary Gough.

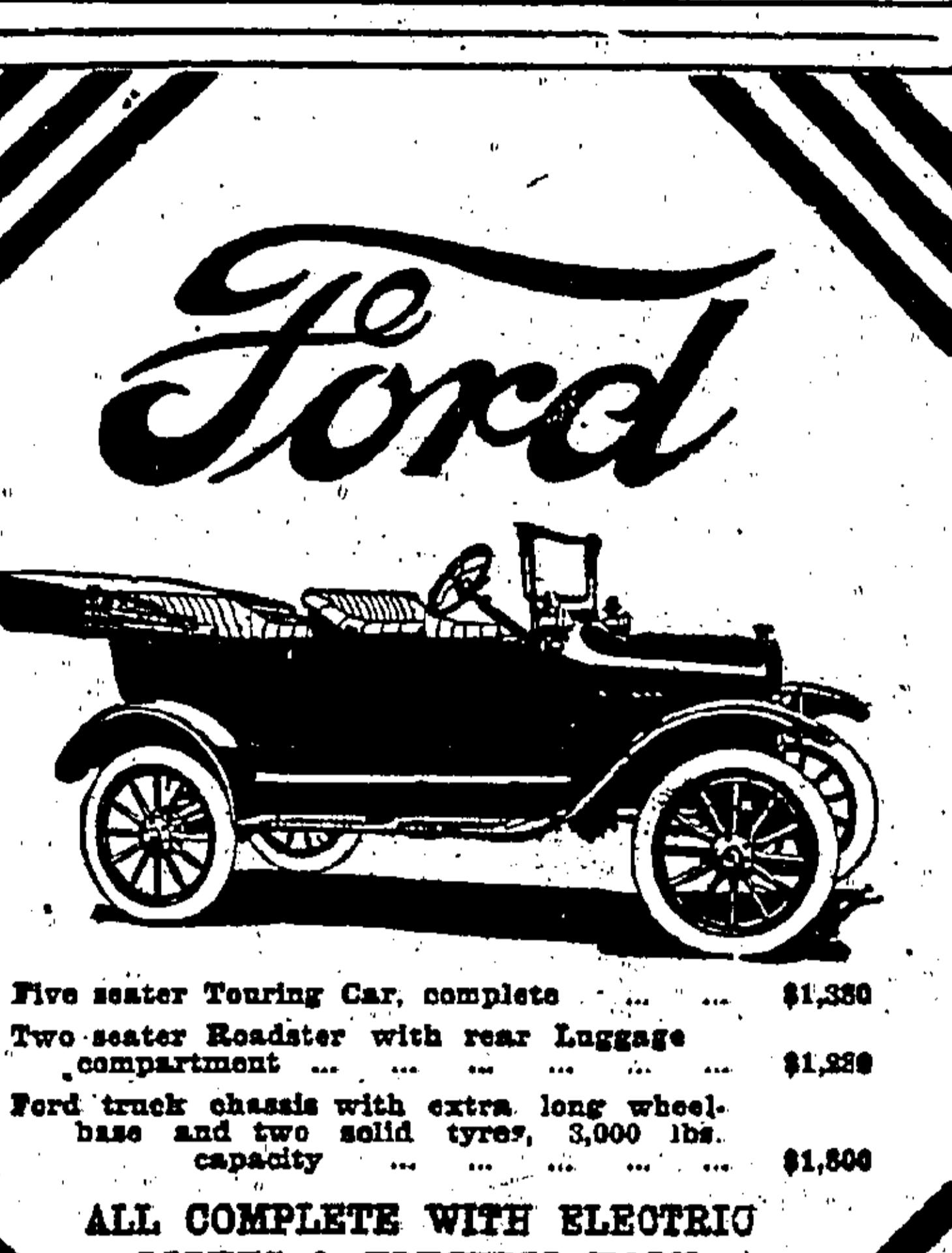
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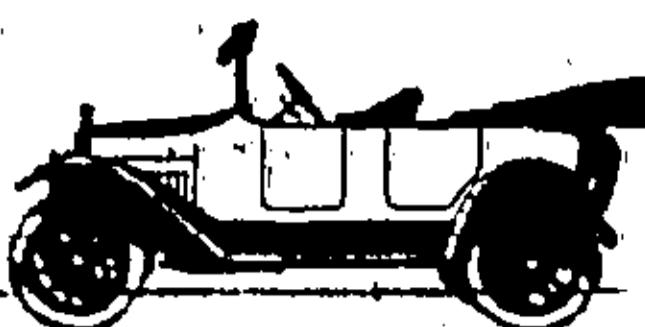
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time Intelligence Officer at Hong-
kong, has been awarded the order of
"Officer, Order of the Crown of
Roumania."The battleship *Iron Duke* has left
Portsmouth for the Mediterranean.
She is to be flagship of the squadron,
and the Admiral who will command
the squadron will join her at
Constantinople. The *Marlborough*
was expected to leave Devonport for
the Mediterranean on Thursday, but
the *Benbow*, *Ajax* and *Centurion* may
not be ready for some weeks.The Admiralty announce that they
have rescinded their decision with
regard to naval and marine
pensioners who have been on active
service. These men will now receive
the full gratuities instead of only half
gratuities.Details of the First Garrison
Battalion of the Northumberland
Fusiliers and the First Garrison
Battalion of the West Yorkshires,
which are retained in Malta, have
been amalgamated into one battalion,
and designated the Malta Composite
Battalion.The Parliamentary Army Com-
mittee met during the second half of
March, 65 members from all parties
being present. Colonel Burn moved
that the service afloat or with the
Colours of ex-service men should be
recruited as counting towards total
service under the Crown for pension
qualifications. A sub-committee,
consisting of Colonel Burn, Colonel
Archer, Shee and Captain Albert
Smith, was appointed to deal with
the matter.The destroyer *Turquoise*, built by
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her official trials on the measured
mile at Skerries, when a speed of
39.6 knots was obtained during four
hours' continuous steaming. The
Turquoise was fully equipped, and
had fuel for a run of 1,000 miles at
cruising speed. It is understood that
this is the highest speed yet obtained
by any destroyer.With a view to assist in the man-
ning of the destroyers and submarines
which have been given by Great
Britain, the Commonwealth Govern-
ment is increasing naval pay 14 per
cent. This will cost £100,000, and
will bring Australian naval pay up to
the level of wages paid to skilled
workers in civil life.Whilst walking along one of the
roads in Portsmouth Dockyard recently,
George Porter, recorder in a
sail loft, was knocked down by a
steam coal trolley and sustained such
injuries that he soon afterwards died.
He was a prominent Labour official.Preparations are being made for
the distribution of the Prize Bounty
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will be held at its Head Office, Nos. 3
and 4 Queen's Buildings, Hongkong,
on THURSDAY, 22nd May, 1919, at
12.30 P.M., for the purpose of receiving the
Report of the Directors together with the
Statements of Account to 31st December, 1918, and of declaring
Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
Company will be CLOSED from the
12th May to 22nd May, both days
inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
C. H. F. HAY,
Deputy General Manager.
Hongkong, May 9, 1919.

BRITISH TRADERS' INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
THE FIFTY-THIRD ORDINARY
YEARLY MEETING of the Company
will be held at its Head Office, Nos. 3
and 4 Queen's Buildings, Hongkong,
on THURSDAY, 22nd May, 1919, at
12.45 P.M., for the purpose of receiving the
Report of the Directors together with the
Statements of Account to 31st December, 1918, and of declaring
Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
Company will be CLOSED from the
12th May to 22nd May, both days
inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
C. H. F. HAY,
Deputy General Manager.
Hongkong, May 9, 1919.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
THE THIRTY-FOURTH ANNUAL
ORDINARY GENERAL
MEETING of the Company (since its
registration) will be held at the Hong
Kong Hotel, Hongkong, on FRIDAY,
the 23rd day of May, 1919, at NOON,
for the purpose of receiving the Report
of the General Managers together with
a Statement of Accounts to the 31st
December, 1918.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of
the Company will be CLOSED from
MONDAY, the 19th day of May to
MONDAY, the 26th day of May, 1919,
both days inclusive, during which
period no Transfer of Shares can be
effected.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, May 13, 1919.

THE "STAR" FERRY CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
THE TWENTY-FIRST ORDINARY
ANNUAL MEETING of this
Company will be held at the Offices of
Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.,
on THURSDAY, the 29th May, 1919,
at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose of receiving
the Report of the Directors together with
a Statement of Accounts to 30th April, 1919.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the
Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY,
the 23rd May, to THURSDAY, the 29th
May, 1919, INCLUSIVE.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. S. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hongkong, May 13, 1919.

PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
THE ANNUAL ORDINARY
GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders
of the above Company will be held at
the HONGKONG HOTEL, Hongkong,
on THURSDAY, the 29th May, 1919, at
NOON, for the purpose of receiving the
Report of the Directors together with a
Statement of Accounts for the year
ending 30th April, 1919.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
Company will be CLOSED from the
26th instant to the 31st instant both
days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, May 13, 1919.

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NOTICE.

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NAVAL AND MILITARY NOTES.

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procedure, in the shape of an attractive
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how if playing with one dice the
"banker" takes odds in his own favour
of 3 to 1; with two dice, 35 to 1; and
with three dice, 215 to 1. There are
no threats of penalties for detection.
I hope the argument will impress the
gambler who reckons intelligently
the odds against him is a rare
bird.—Truth.

A correspondent writes to the
United Services Gazette: "There have
been many demobilisation muddles,
but none more fragrant than the state of
affairs which has arisen in the Royal Army Chaplains' Department.
Over two million men have returned
to their homes, while (according to
the Archbishop of York in Convocation)
only 20 or 30 out of more than 20,000
Church of England chaplains have
been released. The motive for such a policy is inexplicable. Perhaps
they don't want to go back?"

The question of differentiating be-
tween the ribbon of the 1914 Star
and the ribbon of the 1914-15 Star is
under consideration by the War
Office, Capt. Guest stated recently.
The design of the 1914-15 Star has
been settled.

It came as a surprise to many
members to hear that, when we have
settled with Germany, it is intended to
maintain a peace establishment
for the Air Service of 5,300 officers
and 54,000 men, the number of
squadrons at mobilised strength being
102. As it is with the Navy, so it is
with the Air Force. Whom are all
these men designed to fight, seeing
that the Germans are not to be
allowed to have any military air
service at all? Can it be seriously
said that this force is necessary for
the purposes incidental to the army
of occupation? It almost looks as if
we must have a national bankruptcy,
we may as well spend all we can
before the official receiver takes pos-
session, says *Truth*.

By the way, I was glad to see that
Colonel Yate managed last week to
persuade General Seely to consider the
advisability of furnishing the
press with copies of the Air Ministry's
weekly orders. The War Office
publishes all Army Orders, and most
of the Army Council Instructions
issued during the war can be had
for the asking, but the Air Ministry
has hitherto kept its orders for
departmental information only, for no
other reason than that the Admiralty
have always done so. Concealment of
this kind does not suit the
democratic spirit of the day, and it
is high time both the Admiralty and
Air Ministry came into line with
the War Office over this matter.

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Mrs. T. Jennings and family wish to thank all their friends for the many kind expressions of sympathy and floral tributes in their bereavement.

The China Mail.
"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE."

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, MAY 20, 1919.

OUR NATIONAL FINANCE.

The strongest argument against the system that permits world wars is its wastefulness and cost in material wealth. British credit being practically unlimited, we raised the "money", and those pre-war theorists who had thought that their expensiveness would prevent wars on a big scale were doubly falsified. Now we have an enormous national debt which would not worry us as individuals if we did not have to meet the interest. This means high taxation, and touches our pockets directly. That is why there was such a strong hope that somehow Germany might be made to pay for the war, and why they are so angry now because there is more than a doubt of it. We have 1,103 millions of war bonds out, 236 millions of war Savings certificates, 2053 millions of short term Treasury Bills (an expedient the Government is reluctantly having to continue) and 322 millions worth of other borrowings, besides unfunded debts of 1248 millions. Reckoning at 4 per cent, and ignoring the continuing expenditure, we have to provide £280,000,000 every year in interest.

The average cost of war in the first year was £1,500,000 per day. The average daily cost in the second year was £3,890,000. In the third year it had risen to £5,100,000, and to £6,577,000 per day for the fourth year. The half year since has added about £62,500,000 to our annual liability as regards payment of interest. At the time of writing we must be paying about £44,000,000 in interest, without reducing the debt. A reasonable Sinking Fund would cost us about 200 millions more each year. The only people who do not seem to realize the hole we are in are the gentlemen who constitute our Government, and their warmest supporters, who have big notions for further spending, and who apparently see a simple solution in telling the workers to work harder and longer and so produce more wealth. Viscount Peel in the House of Lords saw less excuse for "more economy" than for "further activities for the creation of wealth on a large scale," which means just

increasing production, and by threatening them as Bonar Law did? We must cut out that sort of talk, and find some way of jollying 'em along, for we (especially here in Hongkong) are on a good wicket and don't want it changed.

BOHEMIA.

"If you would learn what 'Bohemia' and 'Futurist Art' and 'Studio Teas' signify, see how Alice Paige scandalizes the grim village of Mayport." So runs a rubric on the programme of the current picture at the Coronet Theatre. The picture is a good one, but with proper reference to Mr. Ray, it doesn't teach what Bohemia is like—not the real Bohemia. Why must it go down for ever and ever, in the minds of suburban Sunday School teachers and their ilk, that Bohemians are a desperately wicked folk, and the unconventional devotees of Art and immoral people? There is a sham Bohemia, of course, of which these pictured eccentricities may give a more or less exaggerated notion. If you ever meet a man who assures you he is "quite a Bohemian," be sure you have met a *passer* who is thoroughly conventional at heart, who has discovered, as it happens, that "Bohemianism" can be conventional and eccentricity "the thing." One such idiot boasting of his Bohemian ways said that he always polished his boots on the sheet. In *la vrai Boheme*, of course, it is Providence which cleans boots. If Providence neglects 'em, our boots go unshining. Who are we that we should meddle with the decrees of Providence? This idiot was snubbed and crushed by the dry assurance that the blanket would have given a better polish. That sort of person reads Henri Murger, (in translation) and gets his ideas of Bohemian life from that delightful but camouflaged work of art. The Latin Quarter is now, and probably always was, very poor, very honest, a little sordid, and yet somehow very happy. One went to the *atelier* to work, to study, not to play or strike attitudes. This reference to the *Quarter Latin* may be of itself misleading, since Bohemia is not geographically limited. London is as Bohemian as Paris. In the days *consule Planci*, when one made the horrible mistake of supposing that journalism was a byway to literature, and wrote lyrics for which the golden-haired Giulietta made the music ("O, the sorry trade") one could wear long hair and ideals simultaneously. The Press Club in Wine Office Court was not more respectable than we were, though we might be two weeks behind with the landlady, and squander a whole cheque for a *Globe* "turn-over" on one meal. That Bohemianism was the unself-conscious sort, natural and joyous. In Sydney there is a Bohemia, where painters and writers and sculptors and poets, with an occasional outsider, meet to talk "smart" and consume strange drinks. San Francisco has its counterpart. Of New York we cannot speak, not knowing; but from what we do know of New York writing men, we would not expect to find the real thing as it exists in London or Paris. Somehow "one cent a word upwards" does not "go" with it, whereas half a guinea a page almost compels it. That is the precise difference between *Leslie's Weekly* and *Chamber's Journal*—from what they see, the danger is past (because the workers are not nearly so scared of Bolshevism as we capitalists are) they seem determined to have a few little things put right before they worry themselves about the very desirable increase of production. This our administrators of the old gang do not seem able to do. Instead they hark back to the old political panacea of Protection, which will further increase the cost of many things to the wage-earners, and accentuate their irritation and the urgency of the problem. Meanwhile, having been fed on promises of "a new heaven and a new earth" once the war were won, they are quite well aware that a minority derived real benefit. They know, for example, that there are now more people enjoying incomes of over £5000 per year than there were in 1914. The April assessments of the Inland Revenue Commissioners show that those with incomes between £5000 and £10,000 a year increased from 9,404 to 9,847, and so on up the scale, the big fortunes having gained by the world disaster while they, with nominally bigger wages, are getting less in actual comfort and solace. With division still on those lines, how can we expect them to increase production? It isn't that we know what to do for them. Don't suppose we have any cut-and-dried scheme or schemes. They don't know yet what they want themselves, except that they expect more out of life than they have been getting, and more than we would consent to go without. It is that the people who have assumed the responsibility of keeping them quiet are by their attitude goading them afresh. They know, very, very well, what they don't want. We hope, are comfortably off, know what we don't want. We don't want more labour trouble, more war. We don't want any patent form of Socialism, or Bolshevism. Then why irritate the proletariat by scolding them, by treating them like naughty children, telling them to forget their desires and get busy

military strength, instead of devoting it to very desirable developments?

The time seems to have come, by the way, in view of the apparent deadlock between North and South, to moot the possibility of two independent Chinas. After all, they are in effect two races, perhaps permanently out of sympathy, and with two languages. Why not two permanent Governments, suiting the genius and aspirations of each, with the Yangtze dividing them? The pooling of foreign interests by the consortium would make it easy to settle such incidental problems as the bisection of the Maritime Customs. It might by division be possible to reach the unity and peace at present apparently unattainable. The suggestion, for what it is worth, is thrown into the controversial arena. What about it?

THE YELLOW PERIL.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig is safe enough on his own beat. As Rector of St. Andrews's University he has had to speakify, and there is the chance that he may be criticised for the way he did it. It is certainly a little startling to find him picking up the turnip boggle once so effectively used by the Kaiser to make our hair stand on end, and talking of the Yellow Peril. "The Chinese must eventually," he said, "demand their place in the European labour market." Eventually, of course, is an indefinite expression. It indicates merely that something will occur when it happens, and that it may be expected to take place when it eventuates." As a practical warning, Sir Douglas has not given us much in that surprising utterance, and we do not suppose that the peril is within measurable distance. His solution that we should give all races British freedom and justice and so level them up to our standards of life has a pleasant ring, but so has a desk bell. It doesn't follow that the ring will bring the servant to the scratch at once. At the moment its special reference to India would be received, we suppose, with a noticeable absence of enthusiasm by our Imperial missionaries, to whom he appealed to carry on regardless of the League of Nations. When a successful soldier is being initiated into an honorary position, he is practically compelled to talk for publication. We recommend distinguished military men who may, in the future, find themselves in that position to talk about things they understand. It will be safer.

FUNERAL.

The semi-military funeral took place at the Happy Valley yesterday evening of Herbert Cecil Jennings of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co. The Rev. V. H. Copley Mylne officiated in the chapel and the graveside.

As showing the affection and esteem in which the deceased was regarded, large numbers attended to pay the final tribute of their respect. The coffin which was enveloped in Union Jack, was on a gun carriage and drawn by members of the Hongkong Cadet Corps, commanded by Lieutenant A. O. Brown.

The pull-bearers were six warrant officers of the garrison, Master Gunner G. T. May, R.G.A., Staff Sergeant Major J. E. Harrow, R.A.S.C., Sub-Conductor A. Hutchings, R.A.O.C., Sergeant Major S. Mason, R.A.O.C., Sergeant Major J. Tatton, R.G.A., and Q.M. Sergeant J. Smith, R.G.A.

The chief mourners were the mother and two sisters of deceased. Others following the cortège were Messrs. J. Johnstone, U. W. Beswick, G. M. Shaw, and nearly all the European staff of Jardine Matheson's, Lieutenant Col. E. J. Coles, and Lieutenant M. W. Stevens, R.A.O.C., Major G. H. Wakeman and Captain E. Stewart, R.G.A., Messrs. J. Stewart and G. Gorrell representing the Hongkong Football Club, and many of the Navy, Army and Naval York.

There were numerous floral tributes, including wreaths from H.E. The Governor, Staff of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Import Department; Cunard Insurance Office Staff; Major Wakeman and Officers of the H.K.D.C., Cadet Corps, H.K.D.C.; Sergeant Major Messrs. 87th Co., R.G.A.; Garrison Sergeants; Messrs. 87th Co., R.G.A.; Sergeants' Mess, 87th Co., R.G.A.; Sergeant Major R.A.M.C.; Sergeant Major Messrs. 88th Co., R.G.A.; Hongkong Football Association; Hongkong Football Club; R.N.Y.F. Police Mess and Dockyard Friends, R.G.A.; 87th Co., R.G.A.; Mess, Lieut. M. W. Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Wright, Messrs. W. Mace, B. Mason, G. Gorrell, H. M. McTavish, Mr. and Mrs. Sears and B. Pascio.

CROUP.

THIS disease is so dangerous and so rapid in its development that every mother of young children should be prepared for it. It is very risky to wait until the attack of croup appears and then send for "medicine and let the child suffer until it can be obtained." Chamberlain's "Cough Remedy" is prompt and effectual and has never been known to fail in any case. Always have a bottle in the home. For sale by All Chemists and Apothecaries.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

To-day's dollar is worth 3s 6 7/16d.

To-day's return shows five cases of plague, one of enteric, and three of c.s. fever.

Commander A. H. Walker, R.N., has been appointed to command H.M.S. *Cadmus*, garrison dated March 20.

Admiral Sir F. C. Tudor arrived in Nanking on May 8, and received the usual salutes from men-of-war in the harbour.

The Colonial Office recently appointed a number of nursing sisters to Singapore and the Federated Malay States.

The goods left over from Mrs. Husky's sale of work will be exposed for sale at No. 1, Queen's Gardens, from 10.30 to 6, on Thursday, May 22.

The recent bonus is bringing some of the local military warrant officers and senior non-coms. within the scope of income tax, and the Army Pay Department are seeing about payment of it. It is safe to say it is not a bit popular.

The marriage took place on May 10 at Holy Trinity Cathedral, Shanghai, of Mr. Thomas J. Engstrom to Miss Mabel Anderson, the ceremony being performed by Dean Walker, and witnessed by Mr. Taylor, U.S. Vice-Consul. Members of the American Co., S.V.C., of which the bridegroom is a member, were present at the Cathedral. The honeymoon is being spent at the Tuhu Lakes.

Mr. J. J. Prickett, leading recorder, Expense Accounts Department, Portsmouth Dockyard, on loan to Clutha, has been appointed to the Expense Accounts Department at Hongkong. Mr. W. L. Trueman, leading recorder, Expense Accounts Department, at Hongkong, has been transferred to Portsmouth; Mr. F. J. Trueman, engine fitter apprentice, Hongkong Dockyard, has been transferred to Portsmouth Dockyard.

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The North China Star says that on May 8 the Chefoo Chamber of Commerce met and decided by a majority that it was better to revert to the old time. The decision of the meeting is to be forwarded, if it has not already been, to the Consular Body. It is very unlikely that the wishes of the community will be ignored so it is certain that Chefoo will go back to sun time. This new method has had a short trial but it has been quite enough to prove that it is by no means satisfactory. The Chinese did not adopt it, those who did were not enthusiastic, and apparently only a few of the foreigners were at all keen upon it. Even those who at first were strongly in favour of the change have modified their ideas. The School found it three times hopelessly east. Girls and boys were going to bed in daylight, playing strenuous games in the severest heat of the day and altogether the opinion of those in charge of the School is for the reversion to the old time.

ROBBERY AT A GOLDSMITH.

The two men who were recently brought up in connection with an armed robbery in a goldsmith's shop in Queen's Road West, were again before Mr. Lindsell this morning.

Inspector Kent informed his Woodstock that a quantity of the loot was found on one of the prisoners. At an identification parade held in the Central Police Station the prisoners were identified by the shop's *folk*. Further hearing was remanded till Thursday next.

TAKING LEAVE, ETC.

On Tuesday, Tse Kuan Luk paid a visit to two compatriots in San Wan Ho, but on finding them absent took his leave and with it a bundle of clothing which he found in the place.

Prosecuting him for larceny before Mr. R. O. Hutchison this morning, a Chinese constable informed the magistrate that he had impeded defendant's escape by firing blank revolver shots in the air.

One month's hard labour.

ARMED ASSOCIATE OF ROGUES.

A Chinese found in possession of a revolver was described by Inspector Grant as an associate of rogues.

A detective was sent to Hollywood Road where he arrested defendant, with the revolver concealed in his girdle.

Fined \$600 or six months.

LIZARDIS IN FOOD.

A large business is done by some Chinese in hawking lizards for food. A Chinese arrested for hawking the flesh of this animal without a license was fined \$8 by Mr. R. E. Lindsell.

QUEEN MARY'S NEEDLE-
WORK GUILD.

HONGKONG BRANCH.

REPORT FOR APRIL.

City Hall Work Party, under Mrs. Stabb.—222 vests, 117 pyjamas, 58 shirts, 8 children's pyjamas, 90 milk covers, 288 handkerchiefs and 84 pants.

Navy and Dockyard Branch, under Mrs. Turner.—16 shirts, 21 vests, 8 jackets, 16 socks, 1 pair of gloves, 8 pyjamas, 3 body belts, 1 child's jacket, 1 long flannel, 2 stays, 1 boy's shirt, 1 petit coat and 4 blankets.

Catholic Women's League, under Mrs. Loureiro.—9 pairs of socks, 10 mufflers, 2 sweaters, 21 knitted scrubbers, 18 naps, 100 knap handkerchiefs, 120 food and jug covers, 876 rolled bandages, 1,230 sponge swabs and 8 wire puzzles.

The following letter has been received:

Office of Red Cross Commissioner, Mess Ex. Force,

Basra, 12th February, 1919.

Dear Madam.—The Commission of the British Red Cross and Order of St. John in Mesopotamia and in Persia—which I have the honour to represent—is now demobilising and after March 1, 1919, will return to England. I beg to take this last opportunity of thanking you and the association which you represent for your many and generous gifts and comforts for the sick and wounded in those countries.

During the three years that I have been in Mesopotamia—Red Cross gifts have poured in a ceaseless stream into our Base Headquarters Depot at Basra from every quarter of the Empire. British and Indian patients in hospital throughout the whole theatre of operations—from the Persian Gulf to Anatolia on the upper Euphrates—to Mosul, nearly 1,400 miles up the Tigris—and to Baku on the Caspian sea—have alike received your gifts through one or other of our many Red Cross Depots in Mesopotamia and in Persia. Not only on behalf of the Red Cross but on behalf also of the sick and wounded, whom in some measure I can claim to represent, I thank you most warmly for your unsparing efforts on behalf of the hundreds of thousands of men who have been admitted to the Hospitals of the Mesopotamian Expeditionary Force. Yours truly,

(Signed) S. M. MOLLER,

Lieut.-Colonel, Red Cross Commissioner.

We understand that the cars for the trip were loaned by the following:

Mr. Lo Shun Wan, Mr. Choa Po

Sien, the Dragon Motor Car Co.,

The Connaught Motor Car Co.,

The Mercury Garage, the Meteor

Garage, the Star Garage and the

Victoria Garage.

The visitors left to-day by the S.S. Colombia for Shanghai.

The West *Mursham* and West *Celina* are to sail for Portland on June 25 and August 15 respectively.

The *Kuanto Maru*, *Wollowa*,

Kwootak, *Kunsang*, *Kaiswa Maru*,

and *Tikini*, are among latest shipping arrivals.

Lieut. R. L. Bridges, R.N.R., of

H.M.S. *Cadmus*, is about to be

demobilized. Lieut. Bridges is pro

ceeding to Singapore on leave prior to

COMPANY MEETINGS.

THE CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LTD.

The 38th ordinary yearly meeting of the Canton Insurance Office, Ltd., was held in the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., at 11.30 this morning.

Mr. J. Johnstone presided and there were also present the Hon. Sir, Paul Chater, C.M.G., Sir Robert Ho Tung, Messrs. A.H. Compton, F. Maitland, T.E. Pearce (directors), Mr. F.C. Hall (acting secretary), the Hon. Mr. Ho Fook and Messrs. Ho Leung, M.H. Lo, R. F. Mattingley, A.F. el Arculli, G.C. Moxon, E.D.V. Parr, Ho Kwong, H. Percy Smith, A.C. Davidson, G.W. Barton, J. Arnold, D.G.M. Bernard and Chiu Siu Nam (shareholders).

After the secretary had read the notice convening the meeting, the Chairman said—

Gentlemen.—The Report and Accounts have now been in your hands for some days and I will therefore take them with your permission take them as read.

We meet to hold this our 38th Annual Meeting under much happier auspices than has been the case on the past four occasions. The conclusion of the Armistice last November, and the approaching settlement of the terms of peace, bring to a close a period of tension which has tried us all severely—both privately and commercially.

The figures we now present disclose an era of prosperity, resulting in a surplus for the year 1917 which is by far the largest in the history of the Company, and this I think you will agree is the more creditable when the difficulties with which we have had to contend are taken into consideration. Shortage of Staff, both out here and in London, delays and restrictions in cabling, and many other disabilities, have tended to make our work more difficult and laborious than in former times.

The premium income for the closed year of 1917 shows an increase of \$500,000 over that of 1916, while the amount of losses has only risen by the sum of \$120,000.

Turning to the year 1918 we find that, though the premium income is one million dollars less than that for 1917 after a similar period, losses also have fallen by the sum of \$80,000 with the result that, in spite of the heavy drop in income as expressed in dollars, the balance for the year 1918 as on the 31st December, is only \$70,000 less than that carried forward for 1917 on a similar date.

I may mention that this fall in income for last year is very largely due to the still upward trend of Sterling Exchange, our Accounts being presented this year at 3/4 as against 3/ for last year.

A review of the Balance Sheet will show that our Assets both in Sterling, and as expressed in local currency, represent a considerable increase over those for 1917. The only item which calls for special comment is that of British, Indian and Colonial Government Bonds and Stocks, which has risen from \$387,000 to just over \$600,000, this being due to the continued investment of our surplus funds in War Loan.

Our Funds are all in a healthy condition. The Investment and Exchange Fluctuation Account shows an increment of just over \$200,000, this being due to the appreciation of securities generally, and to the favourable rate of exchange ruling between Hongkong and Shanghai on the 31st December last.

You will notice from the Report that Mr. T. E. Pearce has accepted the invitation of the Consulting Committee to join their number, and I heartily commend his election to you.

The surplus to be dealt with is \$1,479,155.28, out of which has been paid an interim dividend of \$18 per share leaving \$1,299,155.28, and we now recommend the payment of a final dividend of \$12, the appropriation of \$500,000 to Sterling Reserve Fund and the carrying to Underwriting Suspense Account of the balance of \$679,155.28, to close the year 1917. This last amount considerably in excess of all previous like appropriations, but our operations in the year in question having been large, our provision to meet liabilities attaching thereto must be proportionately greater.

It is early yet to say much about 1918, but as already stated the balance of \$3,151,180.78 is quite satisfactory, and fully permits of the payment of an interim dividend of \$18 for that year.

Now Gentlemen with regard to the future, as we return to more normal conditions competition is bound to become extremely keen, such competition must be felt even by old and firmly established Companies such as this, and although we have little to fear from such competition it stands to reason that we should be prepared for a big shrinkage in our premium income. This shrinkage will in all probability continue until some of the more recently formed Companies find that Marine insurance is not quite so remunerative, under normal conditions, as they were led to expect; or until the gradual opening up of China enables us to increase the field of our activities and gives more room for newcomers. In the latter respect it must be a matter of very keen disappointment to the many business men in China—both Native and For-

ign—to view the half-hearted attempts made by the Chinese themselves to settle their differences and put their house in order. In fact, one is forced to the conclusion that those at present in authority find a state of unrest so beneficial to their own pockets, that, in spite of the very evident danger to their mother country, they deliberately play their cards in such a manner as will ensure of the game being continued. Neither party appear to be better than the other in this respect, and while they continue the quarrel for their own immediate benefit, others step in and take what they want, well knowing that there is no one in this Country to oppose them.

With regard to the proposal to reduce the liability on each of our shares by the sum of \$50, the circular letter dealing with this matter has been in your hands for some time past, and I feel sure that the advisability of this measure will appeal to you.

At the Consulting Committee Meeting which will be held at the termination of this Meeting sanction will be sought to make a call of \$50 per share in respect of monies unpaid on the shares held by members of the Company, and, if obtained, a further sanction will be sought to the payment of a special dividend of \$50 per share out of the Reserve Fund. This special dividend to be payable the day following that on which the call becomes due. The proposition has received the committee's consideration of your Committee, and we trust that it meets with your approval.

Gentlemen, I do not think there is any other subject that calls for mention by me, but I shall be pleased to answer if possible any question arising out of the Accounts which shareholders may wish to put after the accounts themselves have been seconded.

There being no question I now propose the following resolution:—

"That the Report and Accounts as presented, including the payment of a final dividend in respect of the year 1917 of \$12 per share and of an interim dividend in respect of the year 1918 of \$18 per share, the addition of \$500,000 to the Sterling Reserve Fund; and of \$679,155.28 to the Underwriting Suspense Account be adopted and passed."

Mr. E.D.V. Parr in seconding the adoption of the report and account as presented, said he wished to congratulate the manager and staff on the excellent results of the past year's working and the sound position of the Company.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

The Hon. Sir Paul Chater, Sir Robert Ho Tung, and Messrs. H.P. White, C. S. Gubbay, F. Maitland, and A.H. Compton were unanimous in their re-election as directors of the Company for the ensuing year on the proposal of the Hon. Mr. Ho Fook seconded by Mr. J. Arnold.

Mr. T. E. Pearce was confirmed as a member of the Board of Directors and of the Consulting Committee. Messrs. H. Percy Smith and A.R. Lowe were re-elected auditors for the ensuing year with a remuneration of \$750 each on the proposal of Mr. G.W. Barton, seconded by Mr. Ho Leung.

MESSRS. GANDE PRICE & CO.

The twelfth ordinary annual meeting of shareholders was held at the Company's office, at noon to day.

The Chairman, Mr. Chan Kai Ming presided, others present being Messrs. Lau Po-wing, and Hon. Mr. Lau-hu-Pak, directors, Mr. S.C. Pank, managing director, Messrs. Leung Yan-po, Chow Jung Sang and M.A. Razack, shareholders, and Mr. C. Bond, secretary.

The Chairman—As it is past the hour called for the holding of the meeting, I will ask the secretary to read the notice convening the meeting.

Mr. Bond, secretary of the company, then read the notice convening the meeting after which Mr. Chag Kai Ming said:

Gentlemen.—The Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 1918 having been in your hands for some time, I propose, with your permission, to take them as read. It gives me great pleasure in stating that the net profits for the year under review amount to \$80,106.96, which must be very gratifying to the Shareholders, as it constitutes a record since the formation of the Company. After adding the balance of \$3,218.02 brought forward from credit of Profit and Loss Account for 1917, it makes a total credit of \$83,324.98 which your Directors have appropriated as shown on the Report now in your possession. After paying a dividend of \$1.00 per share which will absorb \$18,105, our Directors transferred \$14,000 to General Reserve Account.

Mr. C. Bond—I have much pleasure in proposing that Mr. Lau Po-wing be re-elected a Director.

Mr. Leung Yan-po—I second.

The Chairman—Those in favour?

Carried unanimously.

Mr. S.C. Pank—I beg to propose that Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews be re-elected auditors at a remuneration of \$750.00.

Mr. Lau Po-wing—I beg to second the re-appointment of Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews as auditors.

The Chairman—All in favour?

Carried unanimously.

Mr. Bond On behalf of the staff I beg to thank you for the bonus granted. We hope to be able to work as hard or harder next year and show just as gratifying results.

The Chairman—That is all the business gentlemen. Dividend warrants are now ready and can be had on application.

NOTICES TO MARINERS.

MIN RIVER—PAGODA ANCHORAGE.

Notice is given that a red Spar Buoy has been established on the south-eastern edge of the shoal extending to the eastward of Losong Island, Pagoda Anchorage, Min River. This Buoy is moored in 17 feet of water, and from the Buoy, Wattens Rock Beacon bears N. 71° E. distant 4.3 cables.

All bearings given are magnetic and depths are those of low water of spring tides.

TUNGCHOW-VINE POINT BEACON LIGHT.

RECTIFIED POSITION.

Notice is given that the position given therein for the Vine Point Beacon Light Tungchow, Yangtze River, is corrected as follows:—

The Vine Point Beacon Light has been moved 1.8 cables S. 84° E. from its former position. From the new position of the Beacon, Langshan Pagoda bears N. 68° E. distant 1.6 miles.

All bearings given are magnetic.

SALE OF ENEMY PROPERTY AT SHANGHAI.

Property formerly belonging to Dr. Birt, Mr. Th. Meyer and other enemy subjects in Shanghai has been sold at public auction. The most important parcel was the Meyer property, consisting of over 12 mow at No. 452 Avenue Joffre, with modern dwelling house and other improvements. After some spirited bidding, starting at Tls. 35,000, the property went to Mr. H. E. Arnhold for Tls. 52,000. Dr. Birt's property, consisting of something over 2 mow on the Route Ferguson, was sold for Tls. 1,800 to Mr. H. Y. Chai. Property formerly held by Mrs. Koeppe, at 451 Great Western Road, went to Mr. E. Kadoorie for Tls. 16,000 and a 4-mow-odd plot, belonging to Mr. Kitchiner and situated on Rue Francis Garnier was knocked down to Mr. du Pac de Marsoult at Tls. 3,500.

FORGED OPIUM LABELS.

A Chinese woman stood in the dock this morning on a charge of unlawful possession of 29 forged Government labels.

Mr. D. W. Tratman, Superintendent of Imports and Exports, prosecuted, and evidence was given by Chief Revenue Officer Wilden to the effect that a raid was effected in No. 2 Canton Road, Kowloon, where a box containing the labels was found.

After further evidence was adduced, defendant was fined \$2,000, or in default six months' hard labour.

may adversely affect the earnings of the Company, therefore it is as well to consolidate the resources of the Company and be prepared for any emergency.

The next item on the Report shows a bonus of \$5,500 to the staff which I am sure every shareholder will agree with me is well deserved, as it is due to their labours that we have been able to place such a splendid record before you.

The balance of \$5,719.98 has been carried forward to this year's account, and I have no hesitation in stating that with such a substantial reserve at our disposal, we shall be in a position to withstand any drawback that may occur in our future business transactions. Gentlemen, with these few remarks, I have much pleasure in proposing the adoption of the report and statement of accounts.

Mr. M. A. Razack in seconding said:

I have great pleasure in seconding the report and accounts with which I am sure the shareholders are satisfied. It is indeed an exceptionally good year which this company has not seen for a long time, I sincerely hope that a similar result if not better be obtained for a good many years to come. The successful result is undoubtedly due to the hard working staff who deserve the bonus recommended.

The Chairman—The next business is the election of Directors.

Mr. C. Bond—I have much pleasure in proposing that Mr. Lau Po-wing be re-elected a Director.

Mr. Leung Yan-po—I second.

The Chairman—Those in favour?

Carried unanimously.

Mr. S.C. Pank—I beg to propose that the \$6,000 brought forward from General Reserve Account for 1917 makes a total of \$20,000.

They also deemed it advisable to transfer \$20,000 to create a Stock Reserve Account and to write down Goodwill Account \$20,000.

The Chairman—All in favour?

Carried unanimously.

Mr. Bond On behalf of the staff I beg to thank you for the bonus granted. We hope to be able to work as hard or harder next year and show just as gratifying results.

The Chairman—That is all the business gentlemen. Dividend warrants are now ready and can be had on application.

CHINESE SHIPPING ENTERPRISE.

Among the suggestions placed before the Peace Conference which has suddenly broken off its sittings at Shanghai by the Commercial Federation representing 55 trade unions, those relating to the fostering of the shipping industry of the country are worthy of deep consideration.

The first resolution, referring to the promotion of the shipping industry, says:

"We cannot hope effectively to promote a large foreign trade unless we organize an adequate merchant maritime fleet. Again, we cannot successfully build up such a maritime fleet unless our government is prepared to back up such efforts with substantial financial help. The China Merchants Steamship Navigation Company was started at the same time as the Japanese Navigation Company, each with about the same number of ships. After a period of thirty or forty years, the standing of the two companies is totally different. This difference is due to the fact that the China Merchants Steamship Navigation Company has been, and still is a commercial enterprise under official control which combination bespeaks all its evils, corruption and hopelessness. Moreover, the government has not given the company any protection or subsidy of any kind. It has been exceedingly difficult for that company to maintain its own, not to say successfully to compete with other shipping companies. In order to develop our shipping enterprise abroad, we request our government quickly to instruct the Ministry of Communications to devise means of improving our shipping enterprise, and provide a scale of subsidy. The government should give to these companies, if formed, not only adequate protection but also suitable subsidy which will give them adequate strength and insure success."

These words should carry considerable weight with officials of the Chinese Government were there any disinterested enough to listen to and act upon them, though it is not so much subsidy for the encouragement of navigation that is required as the cessation of that interference and "supervision" the only result of which is to assist in the lining of some of the shareholders' pockets at the expense of the shareholders or shipowners.

It is well known that the Chinese shipping companies did not welcome the official supervision that has been thrust upon them and that the form this supervision takes is not a watchfulness that the vessels should be kept up to the highest standard and run with the greatest efficiency, and economy for the benefit of the shareholders and the country at large, but rather a demand that the officials concerned should have access to the books of the companies and so learn just what proportion of the profits it would be well to claim for their own.

The other form of interference, perhaps involving more serious loss to the shipowners, is the commandeering of the vessels in times of trouble by either side with utter disregard to the rights of the owners or the service of the trade on which the ships are running. One has only to look back to the commandeering of a vessel on the southern route some two years ago by the Southern forces and the equally unjustified seizure of several Chinese steamers on the Yangtze by the Northern, in both cases without the slightest regard to the wishes of the owners and, it is suspected, without adequate compensation for their use having been made, to realize that the business of running ships under the Chinese flag, at the mercy of whosoever is strong enough at the moment to seize them, is neither a pleasant nor a profitable occupation.

It is apparent that the great desire of the Chinese shipowner is not a subsidy but a policy that will leave him severely alone to run his ships as seems to him best, with only that official control that will result in the manning and upkeep of the vessels being maintained efficiently.—Shipping and Engineering.

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	via SHANGHAI	TUESDAY, May 27, Daylight.
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London & Antwerp via Spore, Penang, Colombo, Suez & Port Said	Nikko Maru, 8,900 tons	SATURDAY, 21st June, at 11 a.m.
Melbourne via Manilla, Zamboanga, Thursday Is., Townsville, Brisbane, & Sydney	Aki Maru, 13,300 tons	THURSDAY, 22nd May, at 11 a.m.
New York via Japan	Tatsuno Maru, 14,930 tons, (Cargo only)	TUESDAY, 27th May.
Bombay via Singapore & Colombo	Kirin Maru, 7,760 tons	SATURDAY, 24th May.
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WONG PING WA, Manager. Hongkong, April 1, 1913.

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAMES	FOR FREIGHT APPLIES TO	TO BE DISPATCHED
San Francisco via Manila	Soerakarta	Java-China-Japan Line	On 31st May.
San Francisco via Shanghai & Japan, &c.	Shinjo Maru	Toyo Kisen Kaisha	On 23rd May.
San Francisco via Shanghai, Japan &c.	Toyo Kisen Kaisha	Toyo Kisen Kaisha	On 18th June.
San Francisco via Shanghai, Japan &c.	Padis Mail S.S. Co.	Padis Mail S.S. Co.	On 31st May, at Noon.
China	China Mail S.S. Co.	China Mail S.S. Co.	On 14th June.
American Knights	The Admiral Line	The Admiral Line	About 18th June.
African Mail	Shozen Kaisha	Shozen Kaisha	On 22nd May.
Pacific Mail	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 23rd June, at 11 a.m.
Empress of Asia	Canadian O.S. Line	Canadian O.S. Line	On 13th June.
Empress of Japan	Osaka Shozen Kaisha	Osaka Shozen Kaisha	On 23rd June.
Nanjin Maru	Osaka Shozen Kaisha	Osaka Shozen Kaisha	On 1st June.
Akai Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 12th June.
Kiyo Maru	Toyo Kisen Kaisha	Toyo Kisen Kaisha	On 24th May, at 11 a.m.
Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 28th June, at 11 a.m.
Mitsumi Maru	Jadine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	Jadine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	On 24th May, D. Light.
Wesang	Batterfield & Swire	Batterfield & Swire	On 22nd May, at Noon.
Suiyang	Batterfield & Swire	Batterfield & Swire	On 27th May, at Noon.
Tsan	Batterfield & Swire	Batterfield & Swire	On 27th May, at Noon.
Haiphong	Daitoku Maru	Daitoku Maru	On 24th May, D. Light.
Tsingtao	Chongsheng	Chongsheng	On 28th May, at 3 p.m.
Keelung & Bangkok	Hishio	Hishio	On 26th May, at Noon.
Keelung & Bangkok	Batterfield & Swire	Batterfield & Swire	On 26th May, at Noon.
Keelung & Bangkok	Amura Maru	Amura Maru	On 28th May, at 3 p.m.
Keelung & Bangkok	Swatow & Amoy	Swatow & Amoy	On 28th May, at 3 p.m.
Keelung & Bangkok	Manila	Manila	On 21st May.
Keelung & Bangkok	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay	On 14th May, at Noon.
Keelung & Bangkok	Penang, Colombo & Port Said	Penang, Colombo & Port Said	On 20th May.
Keelung & Bangkok	Bombay & Colombo	Bombay & Colombo	On 20th May.
Keelung & Bangkok	London and Antwerp	London and Antwerp	On 31st May at Noon.
Keelung & Bangkok	London via Spore, Pang & Co. Co.	London via Spore, Pang & Co. Co.	On 18th June.
Keelung & Bangkok	Mauritius, Delagoa Bay, Durban	Mauritius, Delagoa Bay, Durban	On 20th May.
Keelung & Bangkok	Hongkong	Hongkong	On 20th May.

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TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

THE Steamship

"SHINYO MARU"

STEAMER ARRIVED

FROM SAN FRANCISCO, HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS AND

MANILA, Thursday May 15th.

Consignees of Cargo are hereby

notified to present their bill of lading

for counter-signature, and take im

mediate delivery from alongside steamer

or the Company's Godown, where all

cargo is packed immediate discharge will

be landed at consignee's risk.

Storage will be provided on

cargo remaining undelivered on

and after Thursday, May 23rd.

All broken, chafed and damaged

packages will be landed into the Com

pany's Godown, where same will be

examined on Monday, May 10th, at

10 a.m.

No claims will be recognized after

the goods have left the steamer or

godown and none will be entertained if

presented later than three weeks after

arrival of steamer.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be

effected.

T. DAIGO,

Manager.

Hongkong, May 15, 1913.

INDO CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION

CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

FROM CALCOUPTA, PENANG AND

SINGAPORE

THE Steamship

"KUMSANG."

having arrived from the above ports,

Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby

informed that all Goods are being landed

at their risk into the hazardous and/or

extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong

and Howqua Wharf and Godown Co.,

Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves,

delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 27th inst.

at Noon, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged pack

ages are to be left in the Godowns where

they will be examined. Claims against

the steamer must be presented within

10 days of arrival otherwise they will not

be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us

COMPANY REPORT

PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

The report of the directors for the year ending 30th April, 1919, for presentation to the shareholders at the Ordinary Annual General Meeting of the Company, to be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong, at 12 o'clock noon, on Thursday, the 29th day of May, 1919, says to the shareholders of the Peak Tramways Company, Limited.

GENTLEMEN,—

The Directors now beg to submit to you their Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending April 30th, 1919.

The Net Profit for the twelve months, after deducting Directors' Fees and General Managers' Remuneration, amounts to \$22,812.48

To which has to be added the Balance brought forward from last account 2,946.08

Making available for appropriation \$25,758.56

The Directors recommend that a Dividend at the rate of 7 per cent. per annum be paid to Shareholders, absorbing \$21,000.00, that the amount at debit of Electrification Scheme expenses, viz., \$944.36 be written off, and that the Balance of \$3,814.20 be carried to a new Profit and Loss Account.

Dr. J. W. Noble and Hon. Mr. David Landale having resigned, their places have been filled by Messrs. A. O. Lang and John Johnston respectively.

In accordance with Rule 73 of the Company's Articles of Association, Mr. J. Scott Harston, Mr. C. S. Gubbay, Hon. Sir C. P. Chater, C.M.G., Mr. A. O. Lang and Mr. John Johnston retire but offer themselves for re-election.

AUDITORS.

The Accounts have been audited by Messrs. C. Bernard Brown and A. R. Lowe, who offer themselves for re-election.

HENRY HUMPHREYS,

Chairman.

Hongkong, May 17, 1919.

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDING

APRIL 30TH, 1919.

Dr.

To Loss on Subsidiary and Silver coins	\$ 62.45
Coals and Stores	18,507.76
Charges	3,135.06
Maintenance and Repairs	9,547.34
Rates, Crown Rent and Fire Insurance	2,958.50
Salaries and Wages	23,604.19
Office Rent and Clerk's Salaries	6,000.00
Remuneration to Directors	2,500.00
Remuneration to General Managers: 5% on gross earnings	4,696.19
Balance as per Balance Sheet	22,812.48
	\$ 93,923.97

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By Traffic Receipts	\$ 8,665.09
Rents	610.00
Interest and Dividends received	6,123.08
Transfer Fees	9.00
Profits on Investments realized	6,515.80
	\$ 93,923.97

BALANCE SHEET AT APRIL 30TH, 1919.

LIABILITIES.

Authorized Capital \$750,000 divided into 75,000 shares of \$10 each. Issued Capital 25,000 shares fully paid up \$250,000. Issued Capital 50,000 shares \$1.00 paid up 50,000.

Reserve Fund as per last Account \$65,000.00 Reserve Fund since added 5,000.00

70,000.00

Unexpired Season Tickets	4,063.75
Unclaimed dividends	3,103.70
Investment Fluctuation Account	8,710.00
Sundry Creditors	9,209.64
Profit and Loss Account from last year	\$ 2,946.08
Profit and Loss Account for the year	22,812.48
	\$ 420,845.65

J. SCOTT HARSTON,

C. P. CHATER, Directors.

ASSETS.

Permanent Way and Concession old line as per last Account	\$200,000.00
New Line & Extension Account as per last Account	31,510.29
Stations, Crown Leaseholds and Buildings as per last Accnt	41,055.17
Resurfacing Line	49,673.06
Rolling Stock	26,288.00
Office Furniture	500.00
Coals and Stores on hand	699.17
Sundry Debtors	1,282.74
Shares in Public Companies at market value	51,700.00
Electrification Scheme Expenses	944.36
Cash in Bank	\$12,979.87
Cash & Compradore Orders in hand	4,232.99
	17,212.86
	\$420,845.65

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.

THE DEFENCE OF PROPERTY.

Mr. Duke of Somerset presided at the Central Hall, Westminster, at a conference of representatives of associations connected with the defence of capital and trade, and of individual property-owners and traders, called to enable them to give joint expression to their demands that property and trade should be released from State control, and to recommend a scheme of organisation for safeguarding their rights in the future. His Grace said that unless all combined and made common cause against the present revolutionary tendencies, there would soon be nothing left to protect or defend. The conception of an omnipotent State, owning everything and controlling everybody, was fatal to all personal rights and everything in the future of private ownership. It rested with those who valued these things to defend them to the uttermost. The Liberty and Property Defence League had a great work before it. Without organisation, the efforts of those whose rights were in jeopardy would be of no avail.

Sir Richard Temple moved the first resolution, which called for the restoration of free conditions for commerce and industry, and asked that land should be relieved of all unfair and oppressive burdens, so that food production might be

restored to its former condition.

FOR A LAME BACK.

WHEN you have pains or lameness in the neck, bathe the parts with Chamberlain's Pain Balm twice a day, massaging with the palm of the hand for five minutes at each application. Then dampen a piece of flannel slightly with this liniment and bind it on over the seat of pain. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

CONCRETE SHIPS.

Colonel Wilson, replying to Viscount Curzon, said the number of

QUESTIONS IN PARLIAMENT.

ESCAPE OF THE "GEOSEN".

Commander BELLAIRS (C.U., Maidstone) asked the Prime Minister whether he had now received answers from the departments concerned as to whether the despatches concerning the escape of the *Geben* in the proceedings of the Troubridge court-martial, and the despatches concerning the naval bombardments of the Dardanelles in March, 1915, could now be published.

Mr. BONAR LAW: The matter is under consideration, and the question will be decided shortly.

DISABILITY PENSIONS.

Colonel Sir J. Craig informed Mr. JOYSON-HICKS (C.U., Twickenham) that disability pensions, equally with wound pensions, are to be free of income-tax.

GENERAL TOWNSEND.

Captain Guest said recently that General Townsend is on half-pay, and added: "I understand that there is at present no suitable appointment available in which his services can be employed."

Colonel Sir Frederick Hall: Is it to be understood that General Townsend is to be shelved? Was this decision arrived at in consequence of the advice that was given by General Townsend to his superior officers previous to the abortive march on Baghdad, when he stated—

The Speaker, interrupting, said notice ought to be given of that question.

THE IRISH TUNNEL.

Mr. Bonar Law, replying to Sir M. Dockrell, regarding the question of connecting Great Britain and Ireland by tunnel, said that the suggestion was one of those which would be considered by the proposed Ministry of Ways and Communications.

CHINESE EXECUTIONS.

In the House of Commons, Mr. C. Harsworth, replying to Major Sir S. Scott, said that accurate statistics in regard to the number of men, women, and children murdered by the Bolshevik Government in Russia were at present unobtainable. It was known, however, that the number of victims was very great. The Foreign Office was credibly informed that the Bolshevik Government were employing some of their considerable force of Chinese to act as executioners, and bodies of Bolshevik victims, which had been recovered showed that they died under torture, but it was uncertain whether it was the work of the Chinese or the Bolsheviks themselves.

AN UNFOUNDED ALLEGATION.

Colonel Wedgwood (C.L., Newcastle-under-Lyme) asked the Secretary for War whether he would cause inquiry to be made as to the Bolshevik allegations that the Russian Officers' Volunteer Corps, which was assisted by the Allies, flogged fifty-two workmen to death in the Briansk mines, and that other workmen were threatened with execution if they refused to work.

Mr. Churchill: No, so far as my information goes the volunteer army has never been anywhere near the place referred to, and if such an incident occurred it was presumably the work of the Bolsheviks. (Cheers.)

Colonel Wedgwood: Will the right hon. gentleman cause inquiries to be made before British money and British arms are used to support General Denikin in his barbarities? (Cheers.)

Mr. Churchill: I hope my hon. friend will not expect me to associate myself and the Government with him in that remark. There is not a vestige of foundation for it. (Cheers.) So far as the Government is aware there is nothing which corresponds to the incident referred to, but on the other hand, the atrocities dossier of the Bolsheviks is of enormous extent, and in regard to it we have very precise information.

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UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

EXCHANGE.

The following is a list of unclaimed telegrams lying in the office of the Great Northern Telegraph Co., Ltd., at Hong Kong, May 18, 1919.

From Tokyo..... Masakata Nakano & Co., N.I.S., & King's Building, Tokyo..... Satsukupan Heo Ming-kec, West Camp, Wuchingluo, Kobe..... Chabeng, San Francisco, Ashang, Yokohama..... Takuiling Central, Shanghai..... Chingming Changfung, Yokohama..... Kai Lung Passenger, Tokyo Maru, Kobe..... Gallop American Consul, Shanghai..... Hingwui, Peking..... Liyeuntai No. 23 Yilicin Street, New York..... Surtenshaw, Southwelling Harry Hiss S.S. Empress of Russia, New York..... Laing, San Francisco, Harchi, Dairen..... Taifooksingtao, New York..... Bobois, T. KRING, Acting Superintendent.

List of Unclaimed Telegrams lying in the E. E. Telegraph Office at Hongkong, May 15, 1919.

From Ashan..... San Francisco, Hore Whitcher, Shanghai, J. V. Wondronk & Co. Dutch Consulate, Scravenloeg, Makko Carlton Hotel, Manila, J. E. GIBSON, Superintendent.

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

HONGKONG, May 21, 1919.

ON London—
Bank, Wire 5/6.
" On demand 5/6.
" 30 days' sight 5/6.
" 4 months' sight 5/6.
Credits, 4 months' sight 5/6.
Documentary, 4 months' sight 5/6.

ON Paris—
On demand 5/6.
Credits, 4 months' sight 5/6.
On New York—
On demand 5/6.
Credits, 60 days' sight 5/6.
On Bombay—
Wire 5/6.
On demand 5/6.
On Singapore—
On demand 5/6.
On Manila—
On demand 5/6.
On Shanghai—
On demand 5/6.
30 days' sight (private paper) 5/6.

On Yokohama—
On demand 5/6.
Bar Silver in Hongkong 5/6.
Chinese Copper Club 5/6.
Rate of Native Interest 5/6.
Chinese Sub Cdn 5/6.
Hongkong Sub Cdn 5/6.

On London—
Bank, Wire 5/6.
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" 30 days' sight 5/6.

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FROM EUROPE.

The s.s. TALTHEUS, May 26 and leaves for Shanghai and Taku May 27.
The s.s. IDOMINEUS, May 30 and leaves for Shanghai and Taku May 31.
The s.s. NINGCHOW, June 8 and leaves for Shanghai and Japan June 9.
The s.s. TYBIRUS, June 10 and leaves for Shanghai June 11.

FROM SHANGHAI.

The s.s. DILWARA, leaves Shanghai May 18, due here May 21 and leaves for Straits Colombo and Bombay May 24.
The s.s. MARIA, leaves Shanghai May 22 and is due here May 25.
The s.s. AMOR MARU, due here from Shanghai June 2 and leaves for London and Antwerp, calling at Marseilles June 4.
The s.s. ANDES MARU, due here from Shanghai June 10 and leaves for London and Antwerp June 11.

FROM JAPAN.

The s.s. NORE, leaves Yokohama July 22 and is due here August 6.
The s.s. NOVARA, leaves Yokohama August 19 and is due here August 20.
The s.s. LYACON, leaves Yokohama May 21 and is due here May 29.
The s.s. MENDIR, leaves Yokohama May 17 and is due here June 8.
The s.s. REHSTU, leaves Yokohama May 31 and is due here July 17.
The s.s. TALTHEUS, leaves Yokohama June 14 and is due here July 1.
The s.s. IDOMINEUS, leaves Yokohama June 23 and is due here July 17.

The s.s. STENTOR, leaves Yokohama May 24 and is due here June 10 and leaves for Liverpool.

The s.s. TRUCKER, leaves Yokohama June 7 and is due here June 24 and leaves for Liverpool.

The s.s. ARATTOON APCAR, leaves Kobe May 30 and leaves June 6 and leaves for Liverpool.

The s.s. NINGCHOW, leaves Yokohama June 23 and is due here July 8 and leaves for Liverpool.

The s.s. KOREA MARU, due here from Nagasaki June 18 and leaves for San Francisco June 28.

The s.s. NIPPON MARU, due here from Nagasaki June 20 and leaves for San Francisco July 7.

The s.s. PRSIA MARU, due here from Nagasaki June 13 and leaves for San Francisco June 18.

The s.s. ANYO MARU, due here from Nagasaki August 31 and leaves for South America September 10.

The s.s. KIYO MARU, due here from Nagasaki and leaves for South America July 1.

The s.s. SEIYO MARU, due here from Nagasaki October 24 and leaves for South America November 4.

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It is noticed that all restrictions as to the use of wireless Telegraphy by Merchant Vessels on the China Station have been abolished.

The Services to Germany, Austria, Bulgaria and the Ottoman Empire are suspended.

No unofficial letter addressed to Abadan, Ahwaz or Mohammorah in the Persian Gulf may exceed eight ounces in weight.

The insured letter and insured parcel services between Egypt (or in transit through Egypt) and Cyprus are temporarily suspended.

Uninsured parcels for the United Kingdom will in future be forwarded from Hongkong in bags and the Public are therefore advised to pack such parcels very carefully.

Until further notice parcels for civil addresses in the provinces of Uina, Vicenza, Treviso, Friaul, Venice and Belluno in Italy will not be accepted for transmission unless posted under the British War Office Permit.

The Parcel Post Service to British East Africa and Egypt (except for members of the Expeditionary Force) and to Abyssinia, Eritrea, Frithre, French Somal Coast, Italian Somaliland, Portuguese East Africa, Zanzibar and Russia have been suspended.

Registered and Parcel Mails close 15 minutes earlier than given below unless otherwise stated.

In the case of Mails closing before 9 a.m. Registration closes at 5 o'clock on the previous evening.

INWARD MAILS.

THURSDAY, May 22.
Shanghai—Per DILWARA.

Manila, Canada and U.S.A.—Per EMPRESS OF ASIA.

FRIDAY, May 23.
Manila and Australia—Per TANGO MARU.

SUNDAY, May 25.
Europe via Nagapatnam—Per BEN CLEUGH.

OUTWARD MAILS.

THURSDAY, May 22.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per QUINNEAUG, 8 a.m.

Shanghai, North China and Japan via Nagasaki, Canada, United States, Central and South America and EUROPE via CANADA—Per SAN FRANCISCO—Per SHIYUO MARU.

Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.

Ningpo—Per WOHANG, 5 p.m.

FRIDAY, May 23.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per QUINNEAUG, 8 a.m.

Shanghai, North China and Japan via Nagasaki, Honolulu, Canada, United States, Central and South America and EUROPE via CANADA—Per CYCLOPS.

Registration 11.45 a.m. Letters 12.30 p.m.

SATURDAY, May 24.
Japan via Nagasaki—Per TANOGOMARU, 9 a.m.

Shanghai, North China and Japan via Nagasaki, Ceylon, Mauritius, South Africa, India via Dhamnukodi, Bombay and Aden—Per DILWARA.

Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10 a.m.

Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, South Africa, India via Dhamnukodi, Bombay and Aden—Per DILWARA.

Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.

The Parcel Mail will be closed on Friday, May 23, at 5 p.m.

SUNDAY, May 25.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa via Keeling—Per AMAKUSA MARU, 8 a.m.

MONDAY, May 26.
Swatow, Bangkok—Per HUPEH, 11 a.m.

Philippines Islands—Per YUENSANG, 9 p.m.

TUESDAY, May 27.
Shanghai and North China—Per TEAN, 11 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per HAITIAN, 1 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, May 28.
Weihaiwei, Chinkow and Tientsin—Per HUICHOW, 2 p.m.

THURSDAY, May 29.
Shanghai and North China—Per SUNNING, 11 a.m.

FRIDAY, May 30.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per HAIHONG, 1 p.m.

Philippines Islands—Per LOONGSANG, 9 p.m.

SATURDAY, May 31.
Shanghai and North China—Per KWANGSE, 5 p.m.

MONDAY, June 2.
Swatow and Straits—Per LIANGCHOW, 11 a.m.

TUESDAY, June 3.
Swatow and Bangkok—Per LUCHOW, 9 a.m.

Philippines Islands—Per TADING, 9 a.m.

Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, South Africa, India via Dhamnukodi, Bombay and Aden—Per SUZEE.

Registration 9 a.m. Letters 10 a.m.

The Parcel Mail will be closed on Monday, June 3, at 5 p.m.

MING SHUN, Chi, 865 tons, from Shanghai, Capt. Novik, S.P. S.N.C., 817.

KOYO MARU, Jap., 840 tons, from Keeling, Capt. Umatani, O.S.K., 833.

SUIYANG, Brit., 1,116 tons, from Canton, Capt. Gibbs, B. & S. A.

YINGCHOW, Brit., 1,116 tons, from Shanghai, Capt. E. B. Simons, B. & S. A.

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